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Extract from the Staff Meeting Minutes of 12 September 1979:

Hitz briefly reviewed the situation re the Director's appearance today before the SSCI on Cuba, the SSCI scoreboard, and the Director's SALT wrap-up with the SSCI on Friday. He noted we might get an indication at today's SSCI session as to whether or not the committee will move ahead with SALT on Friday. Noting heavy distraction caused by the Cuba situation, the Director asked Clarke to help him refocus and prepare for Friday's SALT hearing; specifically, he asked, because he will not be able to review seven inches of material by Friday, that itmes be prioritized. (Action: NFAC)

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Hitz reported an apparent hang-up at the moment with the SSCI on whether historical reporting on SALT violations should be quarterly or semiannual. The Director asked that this be cleared up, if possible, by Friday and, if necessary, he would agree to quarterly reporting. (Action: OLC) ☐

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Hitz said Representative Aspin has asked that a CIA representative appear in a closed hearing on Friday re the Andrew Young incident. Others to attend include W. Cregar (FBI), D. Mark (State), and Vice Admiral Inman (NSA). Discussion followed on the problems posed by such a hearing and that little good can be gained; the Director pointed out that the President has already certified no intelligence involvement in this incident. McMahon warned that Aspin's propensity for post-hearing press releases is a real problem. The Director said, if pressed, McMahon would attend; however, he encouraged Hitz to explore alternatives with Aspin (e.g., a meeting in Aspin's office or Aspin's assurance of no press release following the hearing). (Action: OLC) ☐

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